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1. Unit

1st Regional Air Force Hqs. (VOK)

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1st Air Division (Fighter)

1st Regiment
3rd Regiment

2nd Air Division (Fighter)

1st Regiment
2nd Regiment

3rd Air Division (Bombers)

1st Regiment

2nd Regiment

4th Air Division

Remarks

At Novi Sad; C.O.: Dragoslav Simovich @ "Cavak"
At Skoplje; C.O.: Maj. Stevan Stevanovich, former member of a Chetnik group which escaped from the Germans

At Mostar; C.O.: Maj. Sneler

At Zagreb; C.O.: Maj.berger, a Slovene who was once in Cairo

C.O.: Lt.Col. Mirko S. panovich, a member of the Communist Party. Chief of Staff: Major Ibro Sijerich, a Mussulman
C.O.: Capt. Nikolich
C.O.: Maj. Djuka Bosovich, an ex-Navy man from Montenegro

At Zagreb; C.O.: Lt.Col. Viktor Buhanj, a member of the Communist Party. Chief of Staff: Maj. Sentic, recently returned from Russia
At Zagreb; C.O.: Capt. Radicevich
At Zagreb; C.O.: Capt. vikich

At Mostar; C.O.: Maj. Petar Radovich, from Montenegro. Chief of Staff: Maj. Mihajlo Akrit, a Russian
At Mostar, but moves to Novi Sad during the summer months because of the intense heat; C.O.: Capt. Milo Cungus, a Bosnian
At Novi Sad; C.O.: Capt. Keseljevich

At Sombor. Is equipped with Russian, twin-engine P-2 type planes. The regimental commander took special courses in Russia for this type of plane.

2. The Pilot Training Division is under the command of Col Jevrem Bjelica, from Montenegro.

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tenegro, who is also commander of the Military Air Academy at Pancevo. One regiment is located at Petrovgrad and is commanded by Maj. Kosta Lekich. The other regiment is at Pancevo. The following planes are in use: U-2, YAK 1,3,7, P-2, and IL-2.

3. Only one Transport Regiment exists at present but the formation of another is under consideration. The Commander of the regiment is Serbian Maj. Vladimir Simich. His Chief of Staff is Capt. Pudarich, who was formerly in Rhodesia. Capt. Arsenijevac and Capt. Zlato Dimceovich are squadron commanders. The airplanes used are: old Junkers, Douglas, and one squadron of light Russian transport planes with a capacity of eight persons.
4. The Military Air Academy is located at Pancevo. The Chief of Staff, Capt. Vucina, fled to Italy. The Chief Instructor is Russian Maj. Mihajlo Faver. The strength of a class varies from 250-300 students. These students are usually ex-Partisans and have little education. There are also a number of Albanians in the ranks.
5. The Air Force Specialist School is located at Rajlovac (near Sarajevo) and is under the command of Lt.Col. Danilo Hubnajer, an ex-Navy officer. The Political Commissar is Maj. Daugulich from Kraljevo and the Chief Instructor is Sava Petrovich who was formerly an engineer at Air Force Hqs. The school has two classes, one with 120 students and the other with about 400 students, including about 80 Albanians. Groups are subdivided according to the specialty taken. The scope of the school is to prepare specialists for the Air Corps such as mechanics, precision tool workers, vehicle experts, radio mechanics, and telephone technicians. Both officers and men attending the course are given ratings upon completion. Candidates for the school must have completed elementary school. Some Communist Party members have been admitted regardless of their education.
6. The NCO School is located at Kraljevo and its mission is to furnish cadre NCO's to the various units. This course lasts for three years. At the end of this period the NCO may accept a discharge or re-enlist. The school is open to soldiers already on duty with the various regiments.
7. The Yugoslav Air Force has at present about 250 planes in good condition and ready for combat.
8. The Yugoslav Air Force dump is located at Pancevo. Materiel which arrives at Pancevo is received by a commission which distributes it to the units or stores as it sees fit.

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